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Then I must take your refusal as final? Very we'l. Here is the document signed by Wilfred Merrionoah and adjoining counties, in the Su-preme ourt of Appeals, and in the Circuit and District Courts of the United giving me power to prosecute at giving me power to prosecute at any time I think fit or may feel nelined. Here is my off r: Marry ession and your brother is sale,

> 'If you are foolish enough persist in your refusal Wilfred Merrion will stand in the felon's you know as well as I do that dock before the month is out, and the brother of the beautiful Norah Merrion will in all probability serve seven years' penal servicude.'

Oh, why do you persecute me when I was poor-but now that I the coel effrontery to inform me me which are not only an insult to I can only marvel at your au

*Ah! you refer to my nephew. Norab, but poor You speak of your wealth. I do not deny that your snug little £100,000 in hard going to resign all that in favor of ny nephew Charles? No. no. In fact, I do not think I have any

more need for film in my office.' Resident Dentist, one-who knows but that the my employ. I will dispense with dispense are auxious for your brother; think draw you a check in lieu of it. Be answering telegrams. Charles Cawford at heart; do no: Go.

> I will not do for them.' 'Give me time to think.

·Not one moment. Yes or no? '1 cannot -I ---' 'Your brother.' You torture me.' 'Then God forgive me. It that is pa' an end to your persecution of found that a number of telegrams

must do it.' Notwithstanding the questionkam secored his victory, Le walked career?

down to his office after the interview with Norah Merriou in a nim, John Markam's nephew left cheerful, and even jubilant, frame the office. or mind.

John Markam, the sole parter; young man's mind. but crept up from small beginnings; during the last mouth, however, to John Markbam & Co., with horizon of his prosperity. on the high road to fortune.

considerable amount. The guilt being directly traceable to Wilred Merrico, John tion to ascertain the truth from brother. Crawford is out of my Markbam, finding that nothing Norah herself, he made his wa, path, so I have nothing to fear. was to be gained by prosecution, to her home. linquency, and discharged him.

Wilfred from his empley John his mind, Markam thought little or nothing In a few moments she had told had cornered the market. about the Merrion family, but him ail; the incommating doon- His contracts had to be faifiled when it came to his knowledge ment, signed by her brother during the next three months that an eccentric old gentleman in Wilfred, the persecution of John Unless he had barrels to send his the person of Norah's uncle had Markam, and the extraordinary of away in the contracts would died, leaving her a fortune of sacrifice demanded from her in fall through and he would be rain-£100,000, bis interest was sudden- order to save Wiffred from ruin. | ed.

he mused-not in questionable and child; is an error of the past to bounds. The delay of a few hours securities, but in one solid sum on rise up and rum his life? I would had placed him at the mercy of deposit at the bank, ready to be give my whole fortune to find a Norah Merrion and Charles Crawdrawn in one single check! John way out of this trouble 1 cannot ford.

And from that day Norah Mer- we do not hit upon some planrion was allowed no peace, and had promised to marry Charles he, but I must save Wiffred.' Crawford long before her fortune came to her, the threats and persecutions of John Markam cal minate i as we have seen.

Upon entoring his office John Markam rang the bell and sum-

£300,000, leaving a profit of £89,-000, a very nice little deal. I think Crawford, that when I have seen PETROLEUM. this through I shall sell the business and retire.'

Yes, I am about tired of commercial life, these transactions will be through in three mon hs, and then I am going to be mar

'Aye, life is full of surprises.

You know Miss Merrion, I think! 'Miss Merrion!' ·Yes, Miss Merrion; but why in that tone of voice? Don't you ap-

prove of the lady?" .T is is no subject for jest, su;

Miss Merriou is my promised wife. thus? I was happy and in peace that direction; but when you have that you are engaged to marry ber

bite-who knows but that the my employ. I will dispense with duplicate contracts in blank in

my proposal, there is nothing that arm, entered the sanctum.

'I am sorry to have to part with ger. you like this, Crawford, but there The banking arrangements were have just left Miss Merrion, and left without power to draw upon she has complained to me of your the new firm's account for any fortune-hunting propensities, and sum or sums up to £100,000. asked me to use my influence to On their return to the office they

Quetly closing the door after ranging from 3s. to 4s. each.

tortune hunter! No, he would not confession instantly banished it. believe it, and full of determina- She will wed me to save her

One hundred thousand pounds, Wiffred is so happy with his wife name of the firm, his rage knew po deposit at the bank, ready to be give my whole fortune to find a Norah Merrion and Charles Craw.

A good conscience is better the coming to better appreciation than way out of this trouble. I cannot ford.

Markam, you must see into this.' give you up, Charlie, and yet it Toward the end of the month, eapital than a large bank account, the other day of an engineer who to

'No, no, I do not say that, Char-

night when Crawford left Nora Merrion. As he walked along panged in thought the rattle of a fire engine dashing past roused

him from his reverie, and a lurid glare in the sky told him that a vast conflagration was in progress. "Crawford, let me have those Upon hastening to the spot he last contracts. Now, let me see, he tound that the premises and store vards of a large firm of coopers barrels was well alight, and from the whole of the premises would

> As Crawford gazed upon the burning pile, a sudden thought surged through his brain. After as he was, so ght another inter-

> They talked far into the night, and it was late when he finally reached his lodgings. Instead of returning to rest, however, he started to write, and when the dawn of the new day streamed through the window, he was still

telegraph office with a sheat of

ing agreement, balance on delivery. as my uncle and my employer 1 London-Merrion, Crawford & Co. must say that the statement you Benger's Court, Lothbury, Lon-

Half an bour later be had secur

and dance at our wedding?"

The senior partner of the new ruin him, for as surely as you fail A few minutes later the bell Merrion drove up in her brougham to marry me I will crush them rang again, and Crawford, hat in at 10 o'clock, and a few minutas both. If, however, you agree to hand and coat thrown over his later saw her and Crawford in the private office of the bank mana petroleum.'-London Tit-Bits.

is no other course open to me. I rapidly completed, and Charles

the only way to save Wifred, I of her. Here is a check for £200 had already arrived, and by noon and I sincerely hope that you will the next day the firm of M-rrion endeavor to cultivate more gentle Crawford & Co., found them able manner in which John Mar. manly manners in your future selves responsible for the payment of nearly 600,000 barrels at price-

The fickleness of fortune as de with nimself-matters were flow John Markam & Co. were well monstrated by the events of the ing very smoothly with him, his known in the city as a firm of bi. h last fitteen minutes caused an inrepute, engaged in the oil trade d scriable feeling of dismay in the ted would bring him in considera ble fortune, and so far as he could

he had made con racis which, prospects of a partnership, was In his hours of letture the when completed, would place him it w Charles Crawford, with £200 thought of Norah Morion and her in his pocket and a few more han fortune brought a smile of triumph Some three years ago, when dreds in the bank, and prospects to his face O ice wedded to her and the turnoil of business would was a clerk in John Markam's office, a series of petty thefts had taken place, culminating in the taken place, culminating in the cashing of a forged check for a she looked upon him merely as a the perusal of Wilfred Merriou's

But the plans of the cleverest

compelled the young man to sign The cry of joy that fell from her men sometimes go astray, and a paper acknowledging his de- lips when he presented himself when John Markham attempted before her soon banished all to negotiate for barrels to which For some time after discharging thought of ber inconstancy from to store his oil, he suddenly a woke to the fact that some smart firm

'What can we do, Charlie? Poor But when he discovered the

deesn't indicate that you do,

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OUGHT TO BE. back, '10s, per barrel,' he felt that He Says the Sermon of Today Has Too he was really in the hands of the

The next day be received a note from Crawford; 'It John WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 .- Most appro priate to the times we live in is Dr. Talmage's discourse of today. All Chris-Markham will come to Benger's Ceurt, at 12 o'clock, matters might be arranged to sait both parties.' His text is Luke ix, 60, "Go, thou, and

preach the kingdom of God." The gospel is to be regnant over all hearts, all circles, all governments and all lands. The kingdom of God spoken Benger's Court he found himself of in the text is to be a universal in the presence of Norah Merrion. m, and just as wide as that will be As he came forward to take her the realm sermonic. "Go, thou, and hand, she rose and motioned him preach the kingdom of God." We hear a great deal in these days about the oming man and the coming woman For a moment there was sil-nce. and the coming time. Some one ough 'We met under somewhat diffsimple fact that everybody knows that most of the sermons of today do not reach the world. The vast majority of erent circumstances, Mr. Markham the people of our great cities never en-

ed, 'to indulge any idea of revenge with it the dead wood of all ages. Hundreds of years ago it was decided what sermon ought to be, and it is the attempt of many theological seminarie Crawford that it depends upon this and doctors of divinity to hew the modern pulpit utterances into the same old style proportions. Booksellers will tell firm whether you become a rich you they dispose of a hundred histories, hundred novels, a hundred poems, to "I have certain terms to off-r

one book of sermons. What is the matter? Some say the age which, if you accept, well and good is the worst of all ages. It is better Some say religion is wearing out, when it is wearing in. Some say there are so who despise the Christian reli-I answer, there never was an age when there were so many Christians or so many friends of Christianity as this age has—our age; as to others a hundred simply because our sermon of today is not suited to the age. It is the canalboat in an age of locomotive and electric telegraph. on will have to be shaken out 148 con-facts on which will bring of the old grooves or it will not be heard

in a considerable sum; you have and it will not be read. Before the world is converted the ser mon will have to be converted. You might as well go into a modern Sedan or Gettysburg with bows and arrows inead of rifles and bombshells and parks tion and take Mr. Crawford into of artillery as to expect to conquer this partnership; that is to say, com world for God by the old styles of ser monology. Jonathan Edwards preached bine the two firms, work off all the sermons best adapted to the age in which he lived, but if those s were preached now they would divide an audience into two classes — those each to have half the profits. Do sound asleep and those wanting to go 'You are too generous, but what

The Sermon of the Future.

·Here is Charles to answer for But there is a coming sermon. part of the earth it will be born I have no idea; in which denomination of this miserable business and ring Christians it will be delivered I cannot guess. That coming sermon may be a peal of bells over its grave. born in the country meeting house on Norah and I are to be married the banks of the St. Lawrence, or the next week, uncle; will you come Oregon, or the Ohio, or the Tombigbee, or the Alabama. The person who shall deliver it may this moment lie in a cradle under the shadow of the Sierra Nevadas or in a New England farm-house or amid the ricefields of southern Nevadas or in a New England farm-house or amid the ricefields of southern of a window and broke his neck. Some savannas, or this moment there may be would say, "Good for him." I would ing him in his religious service. Young 'I will my boy, and I ask pardon from both of you for the un happiness I have caused you. It as been a case of diamond cut dle or senior class, shaping that weapon of power or there may be coming some warning against somnolence in church if every young man studying for the new baptism of the Holy Ghost on the it is just as much a warning to minisness, and I shall never forget that it was your generosity that brought churches, so that some of us who now stand in the watchtowers of Zion, waking to the realization of our present inefficiency, may preach it ourselves.

That coming sermon may not be 20 years off. And let us pray God that its no accident. If Paul might have gone translated while I are seried may be hastened while I are seried may be a serie to a triumphant issue my 'deal in

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Why? Smythe—'Because I'd like to get at him! I've just been accounting to the control of the control

merchant's Christ, an artisan's Christ, and startle the nations and usher in the kingdom—it will be a brief sermon.

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Bablin—Wagley has had his bleycle stolen. Looley—Is that soft Well, he has the consolation of knowing that its loss may prevent him from getting the bicycle back.

In not deal with men in the threadcare in the sermining the stupid. Christ was the most popularious stupid. Christ was the most popularious stupid. The world ever saw and, considering the small number of the world's population, had the largest audience ever gathered. He never preached body is not dying for others. As the physician, saving his diphtheric patient If you want to live long, don't sacrificing his own life; as the ship try to live more than one day at a captain, going down with his vessel, while he is getting his passengers into taking a child out of a fourth story window; as last summer the strong swimmer at Long Branch or Cape May or Lake George himself perished trying to rescue the drowning; as the newspaper boy not long ago, supporting his mother for some years, his invalid mother, when offered by a gentleman 50 When you say 'I don't care,' try to see that your tone of voice Watker-Did you say your wile's

a member of a secret society? Vicarious suffering? The world is full ditory. Talker-It was secret before she of it. An engineer said to me on a lo-comotive in DaLota: "We men seem to

when the first contract became the first con he was found still smiling, his hand on the airbrake?" And as the engineer said REV. DR. TALMAGE TELLS WHAT IT

> Oh, in that coming sermon of the Christian church there will be living llustrations taken from everyday life of vicarious sufferings — illustrations that will bring to mind the ghastlier sacrifice of him who, in the high places of the field and on the cross, fought our spiritual help A

> > our struggles and died our death. years old, who it was, and she said,
> > "That must be some very great man."
> > The sculptor was displeased with the criticism, so he got another block of marble and chiseled away on it two or three years, and then he brought in his little child, 4 or 5 years of age, and he said to her, "Who do you think that is?" She said, "That must be the One who took little children in his arms and who took little children in his arms and of comfort and cons blessed them." Then the sculptor was satisfied. Oh, my friends, what the intellectual Christ, not a severely magspreading out his arms of sympathy to press the whole world to his loving

ermon of the Christian church will be nanded by the age in which we live. No more need of long introductions and long applications and so many divisions to a discourse that it may be said to be bydra headed. In other days men got all their information from the pulpit. There were few books and there were no newspapers, and there was little travel from place to place, and people would sit and listen two and a half hours to a religious discourse, and "seventeenthly" would find them fresh and chipper. In those times there was enough room for o one. What is the matter then? It is a man to take an hour to warm himself up to the subject and an hour to cool off. But what was a necessity then is a superfluity now. Congregations are full of knowledge from books, from newspa

pers, from rapid and continuous inter

of what they know already will not be

abided. If a religious teacher cannot compress what he wishes to say to the

inication, and long disquisitions

people in the space of 45 minutes, better adjourn it to some other day. The Time to Stop.

The trouble is we preach audienced nto a Christian frame and then we preach them out of it. We forget that every suditor has so much capacity of attention, and when that is exhausted he is restless. That accident on the Long Island railroad came from the fact that In all religious discourse we want locomotive power and propulsion; we tional!" They stand today, preaching want at the same time stout brakes to let down at the right instant. It is a there are 100 persons present, and if dismal thing, after a hearer has compre- they cannot have the world saved in hended the whole subject, to hear a man their way it seems as if they do not want

Paul preached until midnight, and and home attention rather be sympathetic, like Paul, and lawyers study with old lawyers, young resuscitate him. That accident is often physicians study with old physicians, The intense itching and smarting, incident to these diseases, is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples, chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites, and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts, nor box. to all classes of Christian workers

First of all, I remark that that coming sermon will be full of a living and thrilled Europe. Christ's sermon on

anywhere without making a great sen-sation. People rushed out in the wilder-ness to hear hirs, reckless of their phys-ical necessities. So great was their anxi-ety to hear Christ that, taking no food with them, they would have fainted and starved had not Christ performed a miracle and fec them. Why did so many people take the truth at Christ's hands? Because they all understood it. He illustrated his subject by a hen and her chickens, by a bushel measure, by a handful of salt, by a bird's flight and her like's aroun. All the people knew by a lily's aroma. All the people knew what he meant, and they flocked to him cents to get some especial paper, and he what he meant, and they flocked to him. Mand when the coming sermon of the deliver it and was crushed under the wheels of the train and lay on the grass with only strength enough to say, "Oh, what will become of my poor, sick mother now?"

A Hopeful Outlook.

A Hopeful Outlook.

> But when that sermon does of there will be a thousand gleaming a itars to charge on it. There are in so

many theological seminaries professors telling young men how to preach, themit to me he put his hand on the airbrake | if a young man in some of our theologic to illustrate his meaning, and I looked at seminaries says anything quaint or at him and thought, "You would be thrilling or unique faculty and students just as much of a hero in the same fly at him and set him right, and churches of Christ in our great cities of the field and on the cross, fought our spiritual help. All who have bursed battles and wept our griefs and endured their dead want comfort. All know A German sculptor made an image of christ, and he asked his little child, 3 the great future I tell you, my friends, if the people of these great cities who

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Laugh, and the world laughs with you: Weep, and you weep alone. For the sad old earth must borrow its mirth, But has trouble enough of its own

We hear a great deal of discussion now all over the land about why people do not go to church. Some say it is beof God's word, and all that. They are cal and sympathetic and helpful. Some one might as well tell the whole truth on this subject, and so I will tell it. The sermon of the future—the gospe sermon to come forth and shake the na tions and lift people out of darkness will be a popular sermon just for the and the wants and the anxieties of the people. There are in all our denominathey wanted to stop the train they could around to frown upon the fresh young pulpits of America, to try to awe say. "Now to recapitulate," and "a few words by way of application," and "once more," and "finally." and "now to conclude."

their way it seems as if they do not want it saved at all. I do not know but the old way of making ministers of the gospel is better. A collegiate education and an apprenticeship under the care the home and heart and sympathy ar

mon From altar rail to the front doorstep, under that sermon an audience suing retribution on the back of their necks. It will be a sermon sympathetic with all the physical distresses as well as the spiritual distresses of the world. Christ not only preached, but he healed paralysis, and he healed epilepsy, and he healed the dumb and the blind and

the ten lepers

That sermon of the future will be an everyday sermon, going right down into every man's life, and it will teach him how to vote, how to bargain, how to plow, how to do any work he is called to, how to wield trowel and pen and pencil and yardstick and plane, and it will teach women how to preside over their households and how to educate their children and how to imitate Mir-iam and Esther and Vashti and Eunice, mother of Christ, and those women whe on northern and southern battlefields were mistaken by the wounded for angels of mercy fresh from the throne of

the future will be a reported sermon. If you have any idea that printing was invented simply to print secular books, and stenography and phonography were con-trived merely to set forth secular ideas, you are mistaken. The printing press is to be the great agency of gospel procla-mation. It is high time that good men instead of denouncing the press employ it to scatter forth the gospel of Jesus Christ. The vast majority of people in our cities do not come to church, and our cities do not come to church nothing but the printed sermon

life and peace and heaven.
So I cannot understand the nervousness of some of my brethren of the min-1,000 or 50,000 or 200,000 immortal souls added to the auditory. The time will come when all the village, town and city newspapers will reproduce the gospel of Jesus Christ and sermons preached on the Sabbath will reverberate all around the world and, some by type and some by voice, all nations will be evaporalized.

be evangelized.

The practical bearing of this is upon those who are engaged in Christian work, not only upon theological students and young ministers, but upon all who preach the gospel, and that is all of you, if you are doing your duty.

cotinged on 4th pace.

T. B. RICHEY